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NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING:-

A Special Meeting of the Club shall be held in the Royal Society's Room, Tasmanian Museum, Hobart, on Thursday, August 19th, at 7.45.p.m.

BUSINESS:- Amendment of Club's Rules.

The Rules, amended as proposed by the Committee, are included in this Bulletin.

GENERAL MEETING:-

At the conclusion of the Special Meeting, the usual monthly meeting will be held.

SPEAKER for the evening will be

Mr. Alan Gray.

NEXT OUTING:-

Leader - Miss F.E.Warren

Object - Another look at the hills at East Risdon - this time via Shag Bay.

Meet - at Fitzgeralds, Collins Street, on Saturday 21st at 9.45.a.m. If insufficient transport, the bus can be used.

LAST OUTING:-

To find Eucalyptus morrisbyi at East Risdon - Members are pleased to report that they were successful in finding this Eucalypt.

MEMBERSHIP:-

Elected - Miss B.S.Harris, Ouse.

Nominations - Mrs. M.J.Marshall; Mrs. M.M.Symons; Miss J.P.Scott; Mrs. E.M.Dean; Mr. T.N.Woolford.

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AMENDMENT OF CLUB RULES

So that comparison can be made between the present Rules and the proposed amendments, here are the relevant parts....

1. The Club shall be called "The Tasmanian Field Naturalists Club". Omit the word "The".
2. The objects ~~of~~ at the Club shall be the encouragement of the study of nature and the collection, preservation and systematic classification of specimens, and the conservation of flora and fauna - these objects to be promoted by periodical meetings and excursions, the formation of a library, and the publication of papers and proceedings when deemed advisable.

Alteration:- omit "and the collection, preservation and systematic classification of specimens".

3. Add a fourth category of membership -

Group membership which would include family, youth group, school, etc., under such conditions as the Committee shall determine.

Honorary Life Members:- omit "the nomination of any member as an Honorary Life Member shall be approved by the Committee and the election shall be conducted in the same manner as that of an ordinary member."

Substitute:-

This honour shall be granted by a General Meeting on the recommendation of the Committee, The Roll of Honorary Life Members shall at no time exceed eight.

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TASMANIAN FIELD NATURALISTS' CLUB - RULES AS AMENDED 1971

1. The Club shall be called "Tasmanian Field Naturalists' Club".
2. The objects of the Club shall be the encouragement of the study of nature and the conservation of flora and fauna - these objects to be promoted by periodical meetings and excursions, the formation of a Library and the publication of papers and proceedings when deemed advisable.
3. The Club shall consist of
 - (a) Honorary Life Members
 - (b) Ordinary Members
 - (c) Junior Members
 - (d) Group Members

(a) Honorary Life Members shall be entitled to all the privileges of Ordinary Members and shall be Members who are distinguished for their attainments in Natural Sciences or have rendered outstanding services to the Club. This honour shall be granted by a General Meeting on the recommendation of the Committee. The Roll of Life Members shall at no time exceed eight.

(b) An Ordinary Member shall, on his admission, pay the annual subscription as determined by the Committee from time to time, 50 cents to be allocated as payment for the monthly Bulletin.

(c) Junior Members shall be under the age of sixteen years. The annual subscription of Junior Members shall be as determined from time to time, 50 cents to be allocated as payment for the monthly Bulletin.

(d) Groups (Family, Youth Group, School etc.) as approved by the Committee shall be eligible for Membership in the same

manner as Ordinary Members, and subject to such conditions as the Committee shall determine. Subscriptions for a Group shall be as determined from time to time by the Committee, 50 cents to be allocated as payment for the monthly Bulletin.

4. The Financial Year shall end on 31st December. Subscriptions are payable in advance.
5. Candidates for admission shall be proposed and seconded in writing on the Club's application form. The Committee shall be authorised to approve applications. No person whose application has been approved shall be entitled to the privileges of membership until his subscription shall have been paid or whilst his subscription is in arrears.
6. The Officers of the Club shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary, Honorary Treasurer, and a Committee of six Members. All Officers and Committee Members shall be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting in March. Written nominations duly proposed and seconded by Members, and signed by the Nominee, shall be in the hands of the Secretary not later than two weeks before the Annual Meeting. The President, Vice-Presidents, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Assistant Secretary, and Honorary Treasurer shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. At all meetings of the Committee six shall be a quorum.
A Patron may be elected, such election to take place at the Annual General Meeting.
7. Any vacancy on the Committee may be filled by the Committee. Should any Member of the Committee fail to attend three

consecutive meetings without leave of absence he shall be deemed to have resigned from office.

8. The Committee shall have the general management of the Club's affairs and shall regulate and decide all matters not provided for in these Rules.
9. The Committee shall remove from the Roll the name of any Member whose subscription is two years in arrears, or for other reasonable cause. In the latter case the Member shall be entitled to submit to the Committee such explanation as he may wish and may appeal to a General Meeting against the Committee's decision.
10. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, ordinary meetings for general business, lectures and the exhibition of specimens shall be held on the third Thursday in each month, except the months of December and January.
11. The Annual Meeting of the Club shall be held in March in each year. At this meeting the Committee shall submit a report of the proceedings of the past year, and a financial statement duly certified by an Auditor who shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.
12. It shall be the duty of the Honorary Treasurer to receive all donations and subscriptions due to the Club and to place same to the credit of the Club's Bank Account, to keep an account of all receipts and payments, and to produce such account, together with the Bank Pass Book at the meetings of the Committee. The Committee may appoint an Assistant Treasurer to assist in the collection of subscriptions.
13. The Honorary Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the

Club, attend meetings, take minutes of the proceedings, keep a register of the names and addresses of all Members, issue the necessary notices and otherwise perform the usual secretarial duties. He shall have charge of the Library and other property of the Club.

14. The Committee shall meet when necessary or at the request of not less than four of its members.
15. These Rules can be altered only by a majority of two-thirds of the Members present and voting on the motion at a Special Meeting convened for the purpose by the President. Not less than seven days' notice of such meeting shall be given, and a copy of the proposed alteration shall accompany the notice.
16. A Special Meeting of the Club shall be called by the President at the written request of not less than ten Members.
17. All the property of the Club shall be vested in the Officers of the Club for the time being, as Trustees for the Members.
18. The Club shall not be liable for any loss or injury suffered by a Member whilst attending any of the Club's activities.

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5. To speed up the admission of members, it is proposed that the Committee be authorised to approve applications which have been received on the Club's Form, duly signed by proposer, seconder and nominee.
6. Omit - "A member may withdraw from the Club on paying all arrears, returning all books and other property which may have been borrowed from the Club, and giving due notice to the Secretary of his desire to resign.

This will cause a re-numbering of the rules which follow

6. ~~Election~~ of Officers. It is proposed by the Committee that the Club require written nominations to be in the hands of the Secretary two weeks before the Annual General Meeting in March. This would allow for better organisation of nominations, and obviate the necessity of canvassing for, possible office-bearers, before the meeting, among those who happen to come to the first meeting of the year.

4. 7. 8. to stand as at present.
9. The Committee may remove from the Roll the name of any member whose subscription is two years in arrears, ADD- 'or for ~~any~~ other reasonable cause. In the latter case a member ~~shall~~ be entitled to submit to the Committee such explanation as he may wish, and may appeal to a General Meeting against the Committee's decision.
10. As at present.
11. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in (change to) March in each year.

OMIT - The Bankers of the Club shall be the Commonwealth Savings Bank. (Refer to the Club's Bank Book in the Treasurer's Duties.)

12. Add the words 'and to place the same to the credit of the Club's Bank Account'

13. Delete after the word 'notices' - "of the meetings of the Club".

15. and 16. Unaltered.

17. Original Rule - The legal ownership of the property of the Club shall be vested in the President and Vice-Presidents of the Club, but the Committee shall have full control of the property of the Club.

Delete, and word as in the amended Rules.

18. New Rule -

The Club shall not be liable for any loss or injury suffered by a member whilst attending any of the Club's activities.

(This will obviate having to stamp this on the back of every receipt).

MEMBERS - Have you paid your 1971 subscription???????

Family - \$4. Single Adult - \$3. Junior-under 16 - \$1.50

What support for guided tour, Fr.eve met Wynyard Airport, for Seaway Motel, Boat Harb.Beach. SAT-Rocky Cape (Flora, Geol, Photo'y, shells, Abor. gaves, Middens) SUN.Sisters Cr Area-flora,geol- Barb-B-Q Lynch, Seaway, P.M.Table Cape Fossil Bluff en route Airport. Local Field Nat with Tour. About \$30 (\$24 with own car). Spring, Early Summer. Originally for Victorians, but what about Tasmanians?????

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